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Attorney's Docket No. 011495-056

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)
Kevin Lauren COTE, et al.) Group Art Unit: 3724
Application No.: 09/505,887) Examiner: C. Dexter
Filed: February 17, 2000)
For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)
PROVIDING POSITIVE CONTROL OF)
A PRINTABLE MEDIUM IN A)
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Sir:

Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.

A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.

A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [] \$55.00 (248) [] \$110.00 (148) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.

Also enclosed is Request For Approval of Drawing Changes

Small entity status is hereby claimed.

Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] \$370.00 (279) [] \$740.00 (179) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).

Applicant(s) previously submitted __, on __, for which continued examination is requested.

Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least __, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.

No additional claim fee is required.

[] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

AMENDED CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS	HIGHEST NO. OF CLAIMS PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	ADDT'L FEE
Total Claims		MINUS =		× \$18.00 (103) =	
Independent Claims		MINUS =		× \$84.00 (102) =	
If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$280.00 (104)					
Total Amendment Fee					
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Amendment Fee					
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					

[] A claim fee in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed.

[] Charge \$ _____ to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF DRAWING CHANGES

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Sir:

The Examiner's approval is respectfully requested for the proposed changes to Figures 1-6 shown in red ink on the accompanying copies. The changes are described below.

In Figure 1, arrowheads are added to the lead lines of reference numerals 100, 102, 120, and 122.

In Figure 2, an arrowhead is added to the lead line from reference numeral 102, and the lead lines from reference numerals 112, 114 are extended to contact the features they designate.

In Figure 3, the lead line from reference numeral 180 is extended to contact the feature it designates.

In Figure 4, an arrowhead is added to the lead line from reference numeral 120.

In Figure 5, arrowheads are added to the lead lines from reference numerals 120, 500. The lead lines from reference numerals 506, 504 are extended to contact the features they designate.

In Figure 6, arrowheads are added to the lead lines from reference numerals 500, 608 and 610. The lead line from reference numeral 505 is extended to contact the feature it designates. With respect to reference numerals 152, 504 and their respective lead lines, Applicants respectfully submit they are proper and accurate. In the event the Examiner disagrees, he is invited to specifically explain his concern.

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Upon receipt of the Examiner's approval and a Notice of Allowance, these changes will be implemented through newly submitted drawings.

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